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# BOROUGH OF ALDERSHOT

## ANNUAL REPORT.

## OF THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH FOR 1942.

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### VITAL STATISTICS.

Estimated population for mid-year 1942. (excluding South Camp) 24,350.

| LIVE BIRTHS. | MALE. | FEMALE. | TOTAL. |
|---|---|---|---|
| Legitimate ... ... ... | 251 | 226 | 477 |
| Illegitimate .. ... ... | 28 | 28 | 56. |
| Total (Excluding South Camp) | 279 | 254 | 533 |

Birth Rate ... ... ... ... ... ... ... 21
Comparability Factor (Not available for 1942)

STILL BIRTHS. ... ... ... ... ...(1 Illegitimate) 16.

| DEATHS. | MALE. | FEMALE. | Total. |
|---|---|---|---|
| (Excluding South Camp) | 132 | 131 | 263 |
| Death Rate | | | 10.8. |
| Infantile Deaths | | | 18. |
| Infantile Death Rate per 1,000 Live Births | | | 33 |

PRINCIPAL CAUSES OF DEATH.

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Heart Diseases | 65. | Road Accidents & other Violent Causes. | 8 |
| Cancer | 39 | Nephritis | 7 |
| Cerebral Lesions | 35 | Syphilitic Diseases | 5 |
| Tuberculosis - Pulmonary 17 } 23 | | Maternal Causes | 1 |
| " -Other Forms 6 } | | All Other Causes | 52 |
| Bronchitis | 15 | | |
| Pneumonia | 13 | | |

INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Measles | 168 | Puerperal Pyrexia | 6 |
| Scarlet Fever | 89 | Whooping Cough | 5 |
| Pneumonia | 8 | Erysipelas | 3 |

DIPHTHERIA IMMUNISATION.

No. of Children who completed the Course of Injections during year,

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Under 5 yrs. | 425. | Approximate estimated number of children in area at 31st December 1942. |
| Over 5 yrs. | 349 | |
| Total | 774 | |

Under 5. 1200 Over 5. 4000.

Percentage of child population considered immunized at 31st December 1942. Under 5. 76% Over 5. 90%

ISOLATION HOSPITAL. - ADMISSIONS DURING 1942.

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Aldershot. | 129 | Camberley | 13. |
| Hants C.C.(T.B.) | 24 | Fleet | 12. |
| Farnborough | 20 | Hartley Wintney | 12 |
| | | Others | 8 |

Total Admissions ..... 218.
Deaths ..... 12
General Anaesthetics ..... 6

BOROUGH OF ALDERSHOT. - STATISTICS FOR 1942.

| | |
|---|---|
| Number of Available Houses ... ... ... | 5,633. |
| " " Houses with shops ... ... ... | 346 |
| " " Licensed Premises ... ... ... | 83 |
| Rateable Value (1942) ... ... ... | £276,779. |
| Sum represented by a penny rate .. ... ... | £1,113. 18s. 0d. |

Acreage - Civil 1.432. S.Camp. 2,746.

## LABORATORY FACILITIES.

Pathological and Bacteriological Examinations are carried out at the County Laboratory, The Castle, Winchester and very urgent examinations are undertaken by courtesy of the Military Authorities at the Leishman Laboratory, Cambridge Hospital.

## AMBULANCE FACILITIES.

For Accident and Sickness - 2 Motor Ambulances are available at the Manor Park First Aid Post.

For Infectious Diseases - Patients are transported to the Isolation Hospital by Ambulance provided by the Farnborough U.D.C. as in previous years.

## HOSPITALS PROVIDED OR SUPSIDED BY THE LOCAL AUTHORITY OR OTHERWISE.

| | |
|---|---|
| Tuberculosis ... ... | Provided by Hants County Council. |
| Maternity. ... ... | Maternity Unit, Aldershot General Hospital provided by the Aldershot Borough Council. Farnham County Hospital, Winchfield Public Assistance Maternity Ward. |
| Children ... ... ... | Aldershot General Hospital |
| Infectious Diseases ... | Isolation Hospital. |
| Smallpox ... ... ... | Provided by the Hants County Council. |

## TREATMENT CENTRES AND CLINICS.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| CHILD WELFARE | Manor Park House | Mondays 2 p.m.<br>Fridays 2 p.m. |
| ANTE NATAL. | Manor Park House | Thursdays 2 p.m.(Dr.Page)<br>& 1st & 3rd Tuesdays of each month(Dr.Dobbin) |
| DIPHTHERIA IMMUNIZATION | Manor Park House | Once a month on a Wednesday at 2 p.m. |
| MINOR AILMENTS. | School Clinic | Every morning 9.30 a.m. |
| DENTAL TREATMENT.<br>(School Children) | " " | Every morning 9.30 a.m.<br>Gas Tuesday & Friday mornings 10 a.m. |
| (Expectant Mothers & Children under 5) | " " | Every Tuesday 2 p.m.<br>Gas every fortnight. |
| OPHTHALMIC. | " " | Once a month on a Monday 2 p.m. |
| ORTHOPAEDIC. | " " | Remedial Exercises Every Wednesday 2.30 p.m.<br>Surgeons Day - 3rd Wednesday in month 2.30p.m |

## TUBERCULOSIS DISPENSARY.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| | Manor Park House | Tuesday & Saturday mornings 10 -12. |

## VENEREAL DISEASES.

Manor Park House

Males .. Mondays 5 - 7 p.m.
Females . Wednesdays 10. - 12 a.m.

## MATERNITY & CHILD WELFARE SERVICES.

### Ante Natal Clinic;-

| | |
|---|---|
| Number of Women who attended Clinic ... ... ... | 391. |
| Total Number of Visits ... ... ... | 936. |
| Average attendances per session ... ... ... | .12 |

Number of cases attended by midwives during the year, including cases in the Maternity Unit.

| | |
|---|---|
| As Midwives ..... ... ... | 498 |
| As Maternity Nurses ..... ... | 62 |
| Total Number of Births ..... ... | 533 |
| (South Camp 225) | |

### MUNICIPAL MIDWIVES.

| | |
|---|---|
| Nurse P.V. Hignell | 39, Grosvenor Road, Aldershot. |
| Nurse K. Jinks | 58, St. George's Road " |
| Nurse L. Kernick | 48, Sandford Road " |
| Nurse S. D. Rogers | 69, North Lane " |

### HEALTH VISITORS.

| | |
|---|---|
| Miss A. Arthur | 45, Grosvenor Road, |
| Miss R. Killen | " " " |

Home Visits to Expectant Mothers:-

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| First Visits | ... 111 | Total | 111 |

Home Visits to Children under 1 year:-

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| First Visits | ... 419 | Total Visits | 1582. |

Home Visits to Children between the ages of 1 and 5 years. Total Visits 2007.

The work of the Child Welfare Clinic held at the Manor Park House on Mondays and Fridays at 2.30 p.m. each remained under the capable management of the Aldershot Town Maternity & Child Welfare Voluntary Committee.

I am, Ladies & Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

E. W. ROUTLEY.

Acting Medical Officer of Health.

# B O R O U G H  O F  A L D E R S H O T

## SANITARY INSPECTORS REPORT 1942

## SANITARY INSPECTION OF THE AREA

Number and nature of inspections :-

INSPECTION OF DWELLINGHOUSES

| | |
|---|---|
| Housing Acts | 13. |
| Public Health Acts | 161. |
| District Inspections | 503. |
| Re-inspections | 1719. |

NO. OF VISITS TO

| | |
|---|---|
| Cowsheds and Dairies | 54 |
| Food premises | 283 |
| Slaughter-Houses | 925 |
| Infectious disease cases | 127 |
| Works in progress | 331 |
| Factories | 36 |
| Houses let in lodgings | 26 |
| Verminous houses | 106 |
| Offensive accumulations | 12 |
| Drains subjected to smoke test. No. of houses. | 10 |

NUISANCES AND OTHER MATTERS DEALT WITH

| | |
|---|---|
| Foul drains, W.C.s etc. opened and cleared | 83 |
| Defective water closets and drains | 37 |
| Accumulations of noxious matter | 11 |
| Nuisances arising from keeping of animals | 4 |
| Verminous houses | 35 |
| Dwellinghouses needing repairs | 97 |
| Dangerous buildings reported to Borough Surveyor | 7 |
| Dustbins renewed | 40 |
| Filthy and unwholesome premises | 8 |

PRINCIPAL STRUCTURAL IMPROVEMENTS CARRIED OUT.

14 Premises installed with new drainage systems.

9 New drain inspection chambers provided.

8 New drain inspection covers fitted.

3 New W.C. pedestal pans fitted.

6 Yards paved or repaired.

38 Water closets put in order.

2 New sinks fitted.

6 Sink wastepipes repaired or renewed.

2 Foodstores provided.

4 New soil and ventilating shafts.

1 Water supply reinstated.

HOUSES IMPROVED

| | |
|---|---|
| Roofs repaired .. .. .. .. .. .. | 33 |
| Eaves guttering repaired .. .. .. .. | 12 |
| Wall and ceiling plaster renewed .. .. .. | 54 |
| Scullery floors reformed .. .. .. .. | 7 |
| Other floors reformed .. .. .. .. .. | 24 |
| Firegrates renewed .. .. .. .. .. | 11 |
| Hearths reformed .. .. .. .. .. .. | 4 |
| Windows repaired and made to open .. .. .. | 73 |
| Doors repaired .. .. .. .. .. .. | 3 |
| Skirting boards repaired .. .. .. .. | 3 |
| Stairs retreaded .. .. .. .. .. .. | 2 |
| Stair handrails fitted .. .. .. .. .. | 4 |
| Damp walls remedied .. .. .. .. .. | 71 |
| Walls and ceilings cleansed (Rooms).. .. .. | 80 |
| Cooking ranges repaired .. .. .. .. | 3 |
| Washing coppers repaired .. .. .. .. | 4 |

NUMBER OF NOTICES SERVED DURING THE YEAR.

| | |
|---|---|
| Informal .. .. .. .. .. .. .. | 174 |
| Statutory Public Health Act 1936 Section 39 .. | 7 |
| " " " " " " 24 .. | 8 |
| " " " " " " 75 .. | 9 |
| " " " " " " 93 .. | 40 |
| " Housing Act 1936 Section 9 .. .. | 2 |
| Factories Act 1937 Section 7 .. .. .. .. | 1 |

## HOUSING ACT 1936 - OVERCROWDING.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| (a) | 1. Number of dwellinghouses overcrowded at the end of the year .. .. .. .. | 2 |
| | 2. Number of families dwelling therein .. | 2 |
| | Number of persons dwelling therein .. .. | 8 |
| (b) | Number of new cases of overcrowding reported during the year .. .. .. .. | 6 |
| (c) | 1. Number of cases of overcrowding abated during the year .. .. .. .. | 5 |
| | 2. Number of persons concerned in such cases.. | 24½ |
| (d) | Particulars of any cases in which dwellinghouses have again become overcrowded after the local authority have taken steps for the abatement of overcrowding .. .. .. | 0 |

## ADMINISTRATION OF THE ACTS AND BYELAWS RELATING TO HOUSING

### Unhealthy Areas

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| (1) | Clearance Areas .. .. .. .. .. | Nil |
| (2) | Improvement Areas .. .. .. .. | Nil |

### Number of Houses Owned by the Local Authority

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| (1) | Under the Housing Act 1930 .. .. .. | 110 |
| (2) | Other Powers .. .. .. .. .. | 529 |

### Number of Houses Erected during the Year

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| (1) | By local authority .. .. .. .. | 0 |
| (2) | By other bodies and persons .. .. .. | 0 |
| | Total.. .. .. .. .. .. .. | 0 |

## HOUSING STATISTICS

### (1) Inspection of Dwellinghouses During the Year

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 1. | (a) Total number of dwellinghouses inspected for housing defects (under Public Health or Housing Acts) .. .. .. .. | 174 |
| | (b) Number of inspections made for the purpose | 432 |
| 2. | (a) Number of dwellinghouses (included under sub-head (1) above) which were inspected and recorded under the Housing Consolidated Regulations 1925 .. .. .. .. | 0 |
| | (b) Number of inspections made for the purpose | 0 |
| 3. | Number of dwellinghouses found to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation .. .. .. .. | 0 |
| 4. | Number of dwellinghouses (exclusive of those referred to under the preceeding sub-head) found not to be in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation .. .. .. .. .. | 67 |

### (2) Remedy of Defects during the year without service of Formal Notices.

| | |
|---|---|
| Number of defective dwellinghouses rendered fit in consequence of informal action by the Local Authority or their officers .. .. .. | 107 |

(3) Action under Statutory Powers during the year.

(a) Proceedings under Sections 9, 10 and 16 of the Housing Act 1936 :-

1. Number of dwellinghouses in respect of which notices were served requiring repairs .. .. 2

2. Number of dwellinghouses which were rendered fit after service of formal notices :-

(a) By owners .. .. .. .. .. .. 2
(b) By local authority in default of owners .. 0

(b) Proceedings under Public Health Acts :-

1. Number of dwellinghouses in respect of which notices were served requiring defects to be remedied.. .. .. .. .. .. .. 64

2. Number of dwellinghouses in which defects were remedied after service of formal notices :-

(a) By owners .. .. .. .. .. .. 62
(b) By local authority in default of owners .. 0

(c) Proceedings under Sections 11 and 13 of the Housing Act 1936 :-

1. Number of dwellinghouses in respect of which demolition orders were made .. .. .. 0

2. Number of dwellinghouses demolished in pursuance of demolition orders.. .. .. .. .. 0

(d) Proceedings under Section 12 of the Housing Act 1936 :-

1. Number of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which closing orders were made .. .. .. .. .. .. .. 0

2. Number of separate tenements of underground rooms in respect of which closing orders were determined, the tenement or room having been rendered fit .. .. .. .. .. 0

## MEAT AND OTHER FOODS

There is only one slaughterhouse within the Borough viz :-

Government Controlled Slaughterhouse .. Rear of 126 Ash Road.

## SLAUGHTER OF ANIMALS ACT 1933

This enactment came into operation on the 1st January 1934, and provides for the humane and scientific slaughter of animals for human food, the licensing of slaughtermen and for purposes connected therewith. By resolution of the Council the requirements with regard to humane slaughter apply to all animals slaughtered for food.

Number of licenses granted during the year to slaughter or stun animals .. .. .. .. .. .. .. .. 6

## MEAT AND OTHER FOODS INSPECTION

Particulars of diseased and unsound food condemned and disposed of during the year.

### TUBERCULOSIS

BOVINES.

17 Carcases complete with offal.
31 Heads and Tongues.
53 Heads.
1 Tongue.
4 Forequarters.
2 Hindquarters.
132 Lungs.
34 Livers.
44 Mesenteries.
8 Hearts.
17 Spleens.
1 Stomach.
3 Kidneys.
1 Brisket.
1 Rib of Beef.
11 Thick Skirts.
1 Udder.
66 lb. Buttock Beef.
139 lb. Tripe.
53 lb. Caul Fat.

PIGS.

3 Carcases complete with offal.
14 Heads.
1 Head and Offal.
1 Forequarter.
3 Lungs.
10 Livers.
4 Mesenteries.
6 Plucks.
4 Legs of Pork.
1 Hock of Bacon.

CALVES.

1 Hindquarter.
1 Head and Tongue.
2 Livers.
1 Lung.
2 Plucks.
1 Heart.

### OTHER DISEASES.

BOVINES.

6 Hindquarters.
2 Forequarters.
2 Heads and Tongues.
102 Livers.
2 Lungs.
1 Tongue.
1 Mesentery.
1 Spleen
9 Udders.
24 lb. Buttock and Rump Beef.
64½ lb. Beef.
13 lb. Shin of Beef.
125 lb. Tripe.
12 lb. Suet.

PIGS.

20 Carcases complete with offal.
33 Livers.
21 Lungs.

PIGS (CONTD)

244½ lb. Bacon.
11½ lb. Ham.
1 Spleen.

SHEEP

6 Carcases complete with offal.
23 Lungs.
34 Livers.
1 Paunch.
1 Pluck.

CALVES.

1 Carcase Complete with offal.
1 Liver.
1 Pluck.

UNSOUND FOODSTUFFS

1473 tins Foodstuffs.
221 tins Pork Luncheon Meat.
900 tins Milk.
184 tins Corned Beef.
100 tins Chopped Ham.
5 tins Rabbit.
3 tins Argentine Lamb Livers.
1 box Pig Livers.
10 tins Meat Roll.
2 tins Pork Loaf.
213 gallons of Mixed Pickles.
64 gallons of Piccalilli.
26 gallons of Cabbage.
245 lb. Mixed Rice, Barley and Split Peas.
335 lb. Mixed Cereals.
152 lb. Rice.
203 lb. Oatmeal.
140 lb. Spaghetti.
500 lb. Apples.
60 lb. Apple Rings.
1064 lb. Potatoes.
56 lb. Carrots.
239 lb. Tomatoes.
507 lb. Plums
68 lb. Beans.
495 Fruit Pies.
250 lb. Cauliflower.
8 lb. Rhubarb.
26 lb. Walnuts.
9 lb. Chestnuts.
8 lb. Dates.
461 lb. Jam.
160 lb. Marmalade.
42 lb. Lemon Curd.
2 jars Lemonade Powder.
280 lb. Sprats.
230 lb. Kippers.
196 lb. Fresh Herrings.
176 lb. Mixed Fish
182 lb. Fresh Haddock.
150 lb. Smoked Cod Fillet.
91 lb. Mackeral.
70 lb. Codfish.
70 lb. Headless Fish.
2 gallons Sardines.
324 Fish Cakes.
4 cwt. Sugar.
72 lb. Broken Biscuits.
74¾ lb. Cheese.
2 gallons Cream Substitute.
139 Eggs.
39 bottles Sauce.
42 lb. Soup Powder.

13 lb. Coffee.
3 Xmas Puddings.
6 lb. Tea.
1 jar Boiled Sweets.
76 lb. Sausage Meat.
92 lb. Sausages.

SUMMARY WEIGHT OF CONDEMNED FOOD

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| BEEF. | Tuberculosis | 12,259 lbs. |
| | Other Diseases | 2,096 lbs. |
| PIGS. | Tuberculosis | 403 lbs. |
| | Other Diseases | 1,671 lbs. |
| SHEEP | Other Diseases | 394 lbs. |
| | OTHER FOODS | 16,520 lbs. |
| | Total - | 33,343 lbs. |

or 10 ton - 8 cwt. - 1 qr. - 19 lb.

NUMBER OF CARCASES INSPECTED

| | |
|---|---|
| Beef | 883 |
| Calves | 2343 |
| Pigs | 985 |
| Sheep | 2750 |
| Total - | 6961 |

The following tables give particulars of the number of animals slaughtered and diseased meat dealt with since the Government took control of Ash Road Slaughterhouse on January 15th 1940.

NUMBER OF CARCASES

| Class | 1940 | | 1941 | | 1942 | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Slaughtered | Inspected | Slaughtered | Inspected | Slaughtered | Inspected |
| Cattle | 1386 | 1386 | 1807 | 1807 | 883 | 883 |
| Calves | 231 | 231 | 933 | 933 | 2343 | 2343 |
| Sheep | 4242 | 4242 | 5631 | 5631 | 2750 | 2750 |
| Pigs | 177 | 177 | 565 | 565 | 985 | 985 |

DISEASED MEAT DISCOVERED AND DEALT WITH

| Class | 1940 | | 1941 | | 1942 | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Weight | % | Weight | % | Weight | % |
| Cattle | 12 ton. 2 qr. | 43% | 9 ton. 1 cwt. 1 qr. | 22% | 6 ton. 8 cwt. | 42% |
| Calves | 23 lb. | 1.3% | 73 lb. | .4% | 136 lb. | .3% |
| Sheep | 7 cwt. 9 lb. | 1% | 4 cwt. 2 qr. | 1% | 3 cwt. 2 qr. | 2.3% |
| Pigs | 13 cwt. 2 qr. | 11.3% | 11 cwt. 1 qr. | 4.2% | 18 cwt. 2 qr. | 13.9% |

## INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD - MILK SUPPLY

| | |
|---|---|
| Licensed Dealers of Pasteurised Milk .. .. .. | 2 |
| Licensed Dealers of Tuberculin Tested Milk .. .. | 1 |
| Registered purveyors of Ordinary Milk .. .. | 48 |
| Registered Dairies .. .. .. .. .. .. | 4 |
| Registered Cowkeepers .. .. .. .. .. | 1 |

Of the 70 samples of Pasteurised Milk taken, 67 proved satisfactory, 2 failed to satisfy the count test and 1 the Phosphatase Test.

## MAGISTERIAL PROCEEDINGS

| Offence | Result |
|---|---|
| Public Health Act 1936 Section 94 | Order made with costs. |
| " " " " " " | Order made with costs. |
| " " " " " " | Order made with costs. |
| " " " " " " | Order made. |
| " " " " " " | Summons adjourned. |
| Town and Police Clauses Act 1847 | Fined £2. |
| " " " " " " | Fined £1. |